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1. A lignite mine is located at Qaf' e Korabit.
 2. Informant was told about mining at Qaf' e Korabit, asphalt production at Selenice, and the oil wells at Patos and Kucove during "enlightenment" talks at Party meetings.
 3. The cement factory at Shkoder, which informant saw from a distance of approximately 500 meters, lies on the western edge of Shkoder on Tarabosh Hill. The building measures about 40 x 15 meters (sic).
 4. The tobacco factory at Shkoder (called "Ylli" - Star) is located in Shkoder in the district of Armathe on Manzar Street. It has 2 stories and measures about 50 x 25 x 10 meters. The roof is made of French tiles; the foundation and corners are of reinforced concrete; the rest is of stone. [REDACTED] this factory from a distance of about 10 meters [REDACTED] was another tobacco factory in Shkoder, but he [REDACTED]
 5. Shkoder does not have an aqueduct; the city's water is pumped from wells. The Shkoder telegraph center is connected with Tirana.
 6. The town of Lesh has a telephone and telegraph center directly connected with Tirana through two telephone lines. The center is also connected with Shkoder. Within Lesh there is also a small electric generating plant operated by diesel power and employing six persons.
 7. The road from Vlone to Konispol, which is used by buses, is in poor condition. Informant was not aware that any effort was being made to repair it.
 8. The local Decauville railroad between Vlone and Selenice carries only small freight cars and is used exclusively for transporting the asphalt extracted at Selenice. The asphalt is crudely processed at Vlone, and from there is sent to Durres, where it is exported. The railroad has eight cars which measure 1.5 x 3 x 1 meters (sic).
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